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Representatives at Montpeller, Ver-

authority on the place of Revolution-

Mr Hall united with the Congregat-

Mr fiall married Caroline E.

cetebrated their golden wedding in

1807. Their children were five in number, Eliza D., wife of Henry T.

Mattison) and eleven grandchildren survive him.

NORTH RUPERT

lingford for a few weeks past, is in

A number from here attended the

'house warming's at the Dorset Inn,

and report a very enjoyable time. It

could not be oteerwise with Mr and

Mrs George Barrows as host and

Flossie Reed was quite badly bit

Bennington several days during the

Rogers murder trial, but returned

a few days at Edward Leach's.

Edward Fish of Ira, Vt., is stopping

Miss Mildred Black of Troy Confer-

ence academy, Poultney, is home for

Erwin Roberts and Joseph A. Well-

Mrs O. P. Black has been stopping

wood of Dorset were in town Saturday

for several days with Mrs Isaac Mayo

of Rutland, who is very ill with ner-

A Timely Topic.

it is well to know that Feley's Honey and Tar is the greatest throat and lung

remedy. It cures quickly and prevents

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At this season of coughs and colds

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> Mr Hall has always had the keenest tion Charles Kull of Springfield. Many and other relatives from New Lon-You've and other places. His interment week place to the Hall tames not at Thatcher of Bennington 1847. Servington Center.

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At the close of this engagement when eighteen years of age, young if all eas proffered a purtoership interest as an indiscessent to him to re-He decliped this over, however, his energy being directed at the time Archie Barnes who has been in Wal-The following winter be taught school e Pewnai.

Falling sight crused him to a randon. a college course. Later he was enfactorers, as a travelley salesman. In 18st a partnership was formed un-der the firm name of Fenton, Hall & or spacy, the employers of which be-American pottery was then in its in-

Later 14r. Hall became associated with his breather-in-law, Trence Furk in the lumber business. #2 years Mr. Flall was one of the board scirreture of the Vermont Mutual Fire lynarance company and also acted as agent for many surance companies. In 1868 Mr Hall with his brother Ngthaniel, purchased the Easer cotton will at North Bensh giot. Successfully he purchased ence academy, Poulin the holiday vacation.

For a time tie was orgaged in Merntile business in the village of North me fait up to 1883, since which time he cas fived is retressent from active becomes but has for several years alled as office of curator of the Vermas, Hi turical Society for Benning-ten county, and that of Historian in the Lennington Battle Monumen and

Mr. Hell was an old-time Whig casting his first vote for Henry Tay for present at in 1874. He was always The ablican recludely working for the manipuls of his porty in several severations, but never had time α inlination for political preferment. He possessed pronounced literary by B. A. Quinlan.

Interesting Exercises Friday at South Shaftsbury School.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TREE,

A fine time was enjoyed by all connected with the village schools of South Shaftsbury on Friday afternoon of last week.

The young people, under the guidance of the teachers, arranged for a Christmas tree which proved a great success for it was exceedingly well filled with presents and greatly enjoyed by the young people,

The principal was the happy recipient of a fine comb and brush set, also a very nice ink set, as well as several other useful and beautiful souvenoirs of the friendship of his pupils.

In a few chosen words, Mr Dinmore expressed his appreciation of the gifts themselves and of the spirit they manifest.

The school was presented by Mr Dinmore with a copy of the famous picture, "Calling the Ferryman," which is to decorate the walls of the seboolroom.

The other teachers and schools were also well remembered and it is earnestly hoped that the friendship and harmony now existing, may be continued and increased and will eventually become apparent in the ennobling of the young people who are now in the formative period of their lives.

G. M. ROWELL NOT AT FAULT

Says Erskine Was the Responsible

Geo M. Rowell formerly of this place and recently of Burlington who was here several weeks ago selling accident insurance policies which failed to appear has written to " weral local friends explaining file of Revolution."

The article course is recognition as atherity on the place of Revolution.

Mr Rowell states that he worked under the direction of the state agent-From that time until 1866 he was supwhose name is Erskine and as fast as he got business he turned over he money collected and the applicaions to Erskine as directed to do by the company.

Erskine is now reported to have fled the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts ard; J. B., Perry Gardner; F. S., Jas. In the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts ard; J. B., Perry Gardner; F. S., Jas. In the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts ard; J. B., Perry Gardner; F. S., Jas. In the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts ard; J. B., Perry Gardner; F. S., Jas. In the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts ard; J. B., Perry Gardner; F. S., Jas. In the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts ard; J. B., Perry Gardner; F. S., Jas. In the state with the money collected by all local agents and his whereabouts are unknown. school trustee and president of the up the matter and is trying to locate M. C. McKeon; L., J. L. McGurk; 3rd done. It was a fortunate escape from North Bennington Library Associat-Erskine.

Mr Rowell states that he supposed the policies were forwarded from the home office and the first he knew to the contrary was when the facts of the nonappearance of the policies was printed in the newspapers.

He declares that those who bought insurance of him will be repaid all they put in if they do not receive their

Notice Advertisers

Mrs Webster Towsley returned last All advertisements for the Evening Monday from Boosick, where she has Banner and notices of change must been stopping a few days with her unbe at the office the day before they are cle, Henry Wood, who is quite serito be used.

Advertisements for the . kly Banner and Reformer and changes of copy must be in the office not later than Tuesday noon of each week and earlier is desirable during the holiday

Frank E. Howe.

ARRIVED TODAY

ten by a dog while on her way to Fresh Holly and Laural Horace Winchester was home from

- You Should See Our Leader In-

At 75 cents each, worth more money. We give the S. & H. Trading Stamps.

The Florist,

331 School Street. Bennington, Vt.

Gall And Give Your Orders For

A large stock of holiday goods at Nursery Stock, Garden and Farm Ornamental Shrubery, etc. Goldsmith's, 600 Main st. Toys, Spring delivery.

C. Ainsworth, 311 W Main St., Bennington, Vt.

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ACCOUNTS.

Town of Shaftsbury Holds Special Meeting.

LOOKING FOR MONEY.

Committee Appointed to Attempt to Straighten out the Treasurerer's Books.

The voters of Shaftsbury met in a special meeting in Cole hall at South Shaftsbury Tuesday afternoon. They were called to hear the reports

of the selectmen relative to the in volved accounts of Myron Barton, ior many years town treasurer.

According to the reports submitted, after s thorough examination, there is an apparent discrepancy of \$4,800.

No one charges Mr Barton with any dishonesty, but in keeping the books over a long term of years the accounts have become so mixed that the town is finding difficulty in figuring out matters so that a new start can be made.

At the meeting, a committee consisting of C. R. Hawkins and M. M. Dean was appointed to thoroughly examine the books, to consult with the trustee of the public money and see if the matier can be figured out.

This committee is to report at the annual meeting in March, and if necessary are empowered to employ experts to go through the books.

F. OF A. ELECTION.

At The Annual Meeting Held Monday Even-

The Foresters of America elected the following officers Monday evening for the ensuing year:

P. C. R., Frank Wablquist; C. R., Jesse Mattison, S. B., William How. mins happened to be just coming in T., Eugene Crahan.

DORSET

The village schools closed Friday Dec 18 for a vacation of three weeks. In the evening an entertainment was given in School Hall by the pupils which was largely attended. The program arranged was satisfactorily carried out. The music for all the exercises was furnished by Miss Helen Weeks, a pupil in the grammer room, The following is the program:

Song Santa Clause Has Come to Town.

Quotations Song Oh, Come All Ye Faithful. March.

Recitation Winifred Manley. Dialogue with Songs Clause' Busy Day.

Song I'm as Happy as a Bird. Dialogue So Did I. Recitation Louis Wade.

Dialogue Pearl's Christmas. Song, Who Wouldn't Sing Anna and Winifred Manley. Recitation George Stannard.

What Can the Matter Dialogue Be. Recitation Anna Manley. Merry Bells are Ringing. Song

Dialogue The Sick Doll. Little Women's Christ-Dialogue mas. Song Jolly Santa Clause.

Stocking Drill. Dialogue A Letter from Santa Clause. Recitation Ruby Harwood. Arrival of Santa Clause.

Distribution of Gifts. Miss Kathryn Breman is spending the holidays at her home in Poultney. The annual meeting of the Congregational society was held Tuesday

The illustrations for the "Revolt of Sophia Lane" by Mary Wilkins Freeman in the December Harper's magazine are by Edwin B. Child, a summer resident of Dorset.

HOUSE ON FIRE.

Woman's Prompt Action Saved House Fron Destruction.

A bad fire at the home of C. B. March on North street was narrowly averted Tuesday morning about 4:30 Mrs March was awakened by the crackling of fiames and found that the chimney, was burning out and bad set fire to the woodwork, which was blazing flercely within a few inches of some draperies and other inflammable arti-

Had Mrs March walted to call for help it would have been too late, but by rushing for water instantly, she was able to put out the dangerous part of the fire in time to save the house. Later she took out six hods of burning soot from the bottom of the chimney.

. BENNINGTON BRIEFS.

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly For Busy Readers

A. B. Gardner and Miss Winni Gardner of Troy were guests of Mr and Mrs H. W. Myers Monday.

The marriage of Miss Clara Louise Sherman, eldest daughter of Mrs A. P. Childs to Ralph Lancaster Smith of St Louis will take place at the homestead in Castleton January 20, 1904. After the marriage they will reside in Springfield, Mass.

At the First Baptist church Christmas will be celebrated Sunday morning and evening. Special music under the direction of Prof H. W. Downs at both services. A novel Christmas feature will be introduced into the ition and perhaps begins to feel some-Sunday school program at 12 o'clock. You are invited to these services.

The Semi Annual election of officers of the Epworth League of the M. E. church will be held in the church parlors to night.

D. N. Buckner of Boston was here recently gathering statistics in regard Bennington county.

The Home Trading Stamp Co held another meeting Monday night. Some special business was transacted and that the case against her was nol the meeting was adjourned to the first prossed did not know what the words Monday in January.

Saturday evening a daughter of Daniel Crimmins of Grove St was Mathew Mahar; A. C. R., Charles Car- lighting a lamp and in some way the tried and to go through an ordeal roll; S. W., Daniel Merriam; J. W., lace curtains caught fire. Mr Crima bad opening.

WOODFORD

James Dinwiddie returned Monday for jury duty at the county court in Bennington.

Carlton Garretson, formerly of Pownal, and twice a teacher in Woodford, is now editor of The Sun, Tacoma, Wash.

Floyd Livingston, formerly a workof illness, has come back improved in back. health and is working for Evans & Bugbee in Dunville.

Mrs John B. Knapp is passing the winter with Mrs Mina Sharts, her niece of Somerville, Mass.

Henry Collson has been in town Graves as teacher. again and gone back east.

The Y. P. S. C. E. and Sunday in the Union church.

It's quite a slippery time for saints as well as sinners, to stand on slippery places.

Mrs Maria Cutler an aged lady fell on the ice Tuesday and sustained quite serious injuries to one limb and side A physician was called at once

Mrs Cutler will be laid up several

days.

John Belrose afflicted with lameness has gone to South Shaftsbury to see his wife who is yet suffering from protracted illness.

Miss Ida Bowles is a guest of Mrs George J. Knapp of Bennington. Lena Bowles will take the part of 'Mrs Murdock" in a drama soon to be presented by the S. of V. at Williamstown, Mass.

Jesse Bugbee has sold one of his span of large black horses to William J. Phelan of Bennington.

A son of Wm. Reed of White Creek has been in town buying mink, sable, coon, fox, skunk and mushrat skins, He would like a few bruin pelts, Anse where art thou?

MRS.ROGERS HYSTERICAL

Convicted Murderess Is All Broken Down.

CRIED ALL NIGHT.

State Bought Stella Bates Ticket to Troy whither She Went Tuesday Night.

Mouning hysterically by spells theur sobbing violently and tossing about her cot Mary M. Rogers spent the first night after her conviction of the murder of her husband.

After sitting for two weeks in open court with most brazen effrontry the separation from her chum Stella Bates when the latter was discharged from custody Tuesday afternoon broke her down completely and she has not regained composure since.

Described by her former friends and alone in the horror of her situation she for the first time realizes her posthing of the enormity of her crime.

When first told that Stella Bates was free she refused to believe it until Stella began to prepare to leave the jail. Mrs Rogers then nearly fainted and shricked and tore her hair in

Stella Bates assisted Mrs Russell in searching Mrs Rogers' person, removto the number of foreigners in the ing her corsets on account of the steels ails, almshouses and institutions in and taking away hairpins, straps, pins, and everthing with which she

> could harm herself. Stella Bates when she heard in court meant until told by the sheriff.

> She could then hardly believe the truth as she was fully expecting to be similar to what Mrs Rogers had had.

When she realized that she was free and never see the old town again. The court ordered a ticket to Troy

bought for her and she left for that city Tuesday evening. She was escorted to the station by an officer. Leon Perham does not yet realize

the punishment he will get for his crime. He thinks he will get off with seven or eight years in prison and is happy and contented.

SUNDERLADN

Mr and Mrs E. A. Graves are staying at their home again their neighman in town, who went away because | bors are very glad to welcome them

> J. Hill has moved into the house once occupied by his father the late J. J. Hill.

> School began in the Chisselville district on Monday, Miss, Marguiretta

School in district No. I did not begin on Monday as expected on account school will hold Christmas exercises of quite a number of the scholars being exposed to the small-pyx.

CAMBRIDGE.

Miss Grace Anderson who is teaching in Ottawa Canada is home for the holidays.

The annual Charity Ball of the Cozena Club will be held in Hukhard hall Wednesday evening Dec 39. Mrs A H. Green of Shushan was

in town one day last week. TO CURE A COLD IN ONESDAY, Take Lazative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All ruggists refund the money if it falls to cure, W. Grove's signature on each box. So.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50 cent ottle of G-eene a Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25 cent bottis to prove satisfactory or morey re-J. T. Shurtleff,

O. E. Gibson. B. Bennington. B. A. Quinlan, C. H. Houghton, North Bennington.

C. R. & A. B. Hawkins, So. Shaftsbury, O. E. Adams, Arlington. E. C. Woodworth, O. E. Adams & Co.,

East Arlington.